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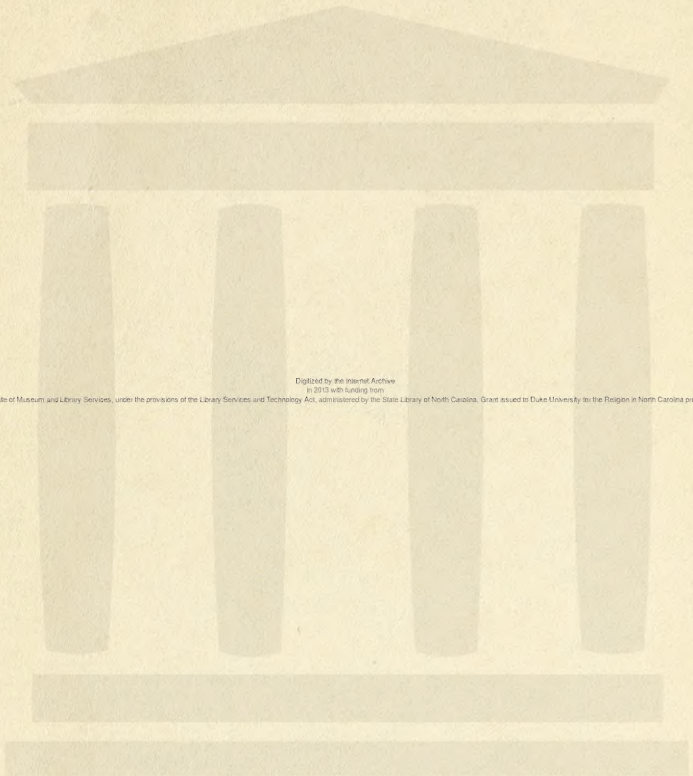

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PLACE OF MEETING 1926

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
RED SPRINGS, N. C.

Theme: America for Christ

Motto: He first findeth his own brother, Simon, and saith unto him, We have found the Messias

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Winston-Salem—Mrs. Chas. M. Norfleet, 515 Spruce St.--Winston-Salem

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Place of Meeting

Mrs. Edgar Yoder, *Chairman*----------Hickory
Mrs. Chas. Norfleet, 515 Spruce St.----------Winston-Salem

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Winston-Salem	Mrs. Chas. Norfleet, Winston-Salem	Mrs. Walter Mendenhall, Lexington	

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Presbyterial Schedules

Mrs. A. J. Howell, Winter Park----------Wilmington

Leave of Absence Committee

Mrs. Edgar Yoder, *Chairman*----------Hickory
Mrs. J. B. Spillman----------Charlotte

PROGRAM

Theme: "World Conquest in His Name." "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature."

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 20

11:00 A. M.—Meeting of Executive Committee

3:30 P. M.—Devotional.....Rev. Chas. Myers, D.D.
Address of Welcome.....Miss Laura Coit
Address of Welcome.....Mrs. E. P. Wharton
Response.....Mrs. S. N. Harrell
Message.....Synodical President
Report of Credential Committee
Report of Program Committee
Appointment of Committees
Report of Secretary of Literature

8:00 P. M.—Devotional.....Mr. Chas. Norfleet
Address.....Miss Emily Winn, Korea
Address.....Rev. W. E. Hill, D.D.
A Message from Mexico.....Mrs. W. A. Ross

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 21

9:00 A. M.—Devotional.....Mrs. Edgar Yoder
Reading of Minutes
Reports:
Recording Secretary
Corresponding Secretary
Treasurer
Auditing Committee
Vice-President
President
Executive Committee
Colored Woman's Conference.....Miss Margaret Rankin
Reports:
Inter-Racial Committee
Foreign Mission Secretary
White Cross Work
Grace Hospital, Banner Elk.....Miss Grace Henderson
Reports:
Secretary of Young People's Work
Secretary of S. P. and C. Home Missions
Address.....Rev. E. E. Gillespie, D.D.
Report of C. E. and M. R. Secretary
Address.....Rev. W. M. Hunter

1:00 to 2:00 P. M.—Lunch

2:00 P. M.—Devotional----------Mrs. E. F. Reid

Program—Barium Springs Orphanage-Kindergarten Class

3:00 P. M.—Reports:

Wilmington Presbyterial
Albemarle Presbyterial
Granville Presbyterial
Orange Presbyterial
Fayetteville Presbyterial
Winston-Salem Presbyterial
Concord Presbyterial
Mecklenburg Presbyterial
Kings Mountain Presbyterial

Conference on Auxiliary Organization and Big Sister Plan----------Mrs. A. J. Howell

Report of Committee on Organization

Report of Historian

Report of Historical Records Committee

Reading of Minutes

8:00 P. M.—Devotional----------Rev. R. M. Williams, D.D.

China:

Mrs. S. C. Farriar, China
Rev. and Mrs. Howard Taylor, China Inland Mission

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 22

9:00 A. M.—Devotional----------Mrs. J. R. Page

Reports:

Secretary of Orphanage
Secretary of College and Conference
Secretary of Development of Spiritual Life
Secretary of Christian Community Service
Finance Committee
Presbyterial Schedule Committee
Courtesy Committee
Committee on Place of Meeting
Nominating Committee

Election of Officers

Installation of Officers----------Mrs. Jackson Johnson

Communion Service:

Rev. Chas. Myers, D.D., Rev. C. E. Hodgin, D.D.

Adjournment

Lunch

GRANVILLE PRESBYTERIAL HYMN

(Tune: St. Catherine)

Written by Mrs. R. D. Blacknall, Historian of N. C. Synodical Auxiliary

O risen Christ—not in self-will
Of human serving would we meet,
But yield our powers and time to Thee,
And sit in waiting at Thy feet.
O marvelous—that we should be,
Our Lord, co-laborers with Thee!

"As Thou hast sent me, even so
Have I sent them"—so didst Thou pray;
And neither prayer for those alone
Who walked beside Thee; but today
We, too, believing, hear anew
"As I am sent, so send I you."

Ascended Lord, we bow to Thee
In this first hour—this "upper room,"
Thou callest us Thy witnesses:
With leading power, O Spirit come!
Indwell, infill, empower, possess;
Fit us to be Thy witnesses.

Lord, for all gifts we sing Thy praise,
But for the Son and Spirit, most.
O manifest Thy wondrous power
As on that day of Pentecost.
Commissioned and empower'd by Thee—
"I send you as my GOD sent ME!"

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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

The Executive Committee of the Woman's Synodical Auxiliary of North Carolina met in regular session at 11 a. m., Tuesday, October 20, 1925, in the Smith Memorial Building, First Presbyterian Church, Greensboro.

Minutes of meeting are written in full in Executive Committee Minute Book, and recommendation brought before the Synodical by President.

RUTH S. WYNNE,
Recording Secretary.

MINUTES OF THE THIRTEENTH ANNUAL MEETING OF NORTH CAROLINA SYNODICAL AUXILIARY

Theme: "World Conquest In His Name."

The thirteenth annual meeting of the North Carolina Synodical Auxiliary held its opening session at 3:30 p. m., Tuesday, October 20, 1925, in the First Presbyterian Church, Greensboro, N. C.

Mrs. W. L. Wilson, President, presided, and the meeting was opened with a very impressive devotional by Rev. Chas. Myers, pastor of the church, on "Ye are the salt of the earth."

Miss Laura Coit representing the hostess Auxiliary and Mrs. E. P. Wharton, President of Orange Presbyterial extended greetings to the delegates and visitors in attendance, which were responded to by Miss Corinne Puett.

Credentials Committee reported 38 Synodical officers and delegates and 34 visitors registered.

Mrs. J. B. Spillman, chairman of the Program Committee, presented program, which was adopted. President called attention to the fact that this was a souvenir program, carrying picture of Mrs. Jackson Johnson, the first North Carolina Synodical President; also Granville Presbyterial Hymn, written by Mrs. R. D. Blacknall, Historian of North Carolina Synodical.

The President displayed gavel which was presented to Synodical by Mrs. W. B. Ramsay in 1920. Mrs. Ramsay has recently had this gavel mounted with a silver band with the following inscription: "The North Carolina Synodical Auxiliary, presented by Mrs. W. B. Ramsay, Concord, 1920. The handle of this gavel was made of wood taken from a bench in the Montreat auditorium where the Synodical was organized August 10, 1912." Miss McElwee called attention of Synodical to the fact that Mrs. Ramsay was the one who presided at meeting when Synodical was organized August 10, 1912, and continued to preside through the two meetings held on that day, as the newly elected President,

Mrs. Jackson Johnson, automatically became a member of the W. A. C., who were also organizing on that day, and had to meet with them.

At this time the Synodical heard the annual address of the Synodical President.

Report of Secretary of Literature was accepted as follows:

Your Secretary of Literature submits the following report:

Home Mission Study Classes	325
Enrollment in Home Mission Study Classes	5,028
Foreign Mission Study Classes	277
Enrollment in Foreign Mission Study Classes	5,077
Total Number Study Classes	602
Total Enrollment Study Classes	11,105
Auxiliaries making Survey Canvass	205
Copies of Survey Taken	5,578
Auxiliaries Making Church Paper Canvass	174
Copies of Church Papers Taken	5,618
Copies of Prayer Calendars Taken	2,915
Auxiliaries Using "Year Book Programs"	132
Auxiliaries Reporting "Literature Table"	192

Most encouraging reports were received from all of the Presbyterial Secretaries of Literature, with the exception of Winston-Salem, from which Presbyterial no report was sent.

Notwithstanding this fact, the aggregate of the report shows an increase in every line except two; a slight decrease in number of Auxiliaries making Survey canvass, and the number using "Year Book of Programs." Please note the following comparison of figures: With one Presbyterial omitted we have ninety-three more Study Classes and seven hundred and sixty-five more members of classes than last year. Of the 13,374 members of Auxiliaries, 11,105 were members of Study Classes. With such an informed host the cause of Missions must go over the top.

These increases are very gratifying, but let us notice a few of the places in which we are failing: 117 Auxiliaries did not make a canvass for Church Papers and 86 made no canvass for the Survey; 110 reported failure to use the "Year Book of Programs," and 257 made no use of the "Literature Table."

Two goals toward which our Presbyterial Secretaries need to work are to try to influence the local Auxiliaries to use the "Year Book of Programs," and to have a literature table well stocked with material on the subject studied each month. Information begets in-

terest, and with the super-abundance of information at our finger tips, and with the power of prayer to drive the message into minds and hearts, we cannot fail unless we are wanting in vision and fidelity. As a rule the success and accomplishments of an Auxiliary are commensurate with the use of these helps, with prayer and dependence upon the power of God to make them effective. Fellow-Secretaries, let us work, that no woman in North Carolina can fail in the duty to Missions because she did not know.

Before the Presbyterials last spring your Secretary wrote to each Presbyterial Secretary of Literature giving her as many helpful suggestions as she could, with an appeal for helpful suggestions in return to be passed on to the others of our Literature Family.

A letter has been sent to each local Auxiliary President in the state stressing the need of a Bible course in the public schools, and methods suggested for attaining this end, and an earnest appeal went with it for hearty co-operation in this work in which we will be helping our Synod reach one of its goals, the Bible taught in every school in the state by 1930.

Respectfully submitted,

(MRS. J. O.) LENA McCLELLAND,

N. C. Synodical Secretary of Literature.

The President announced that the W. C. T. U. convention was then in session at the West Market Street Methodist Church, and Mrs. W. B. Ramsay presented recommendation that greetings be sent to this body from the Synodical. Motion was made and duly carried that Mrs. Ramsay personally carry greetings of Synodical to the W. C. T. U.

Report of Recording Secretary accepted, with rising vote of thanks, as follows:

Your Recording Secretary begs leave to submit the following report:

Auxiliaries reporting, 299—8 more than last year; Auxiliary members 14,766, an increase of 1,392 over last year; 89 Auxiliaries report including all the women of the Church—21 more than last year; 160 Auxiliaries are divided into Circles, an increase of 5.

Members in Prayer Bands Increased	11%
Members in Bible Classes Increased	47%
Family Altars Increased	07%
Tithers Increased	07%
Additions on Profession Increased	29%
Members in Stewardship Classes DECREASED	16%
Members in F. M. Study Classes Increased	02%

Members in H. M. Study Classes Increased	15%
Volunteers for Life Service DECREASED	04%
Survey Subscribers Increased	06%
Church Paper Subscribers Increased	12%
Prayer Calendars used DECREASED	05%
Group Conferences held	29
Blue Circle Auxiliaries	63
Silver Circle Auxiliaries	57
Gold Circle Auxiliaries	1

The Statistical Reports show a DECREASE in contributions to all causes, except Presbyterial Home Missions, Auxiliary Equipment Fund, Orphans' Homes and the Contingent Fund. These causes show a small increase. A total decrease in gifts of $28,128.00 is reported, or a per capita decrease of from $17.00 to $14.00, or .18% per capita decrease.

These figures and comparisons are given with the hope that greater work may be accomplished during the present year.

The Recording Secretary has recorded minutes of all Executive Committee meetings held during the year, also annual Synodical meeting, having 500 copies of same printed and mailed to proper parties; mailed annual report blanks in February to Presbyterial Recording Secretaries, and compiled annual Educational and Statistical reports in April—sending copy of same to the Auxiliary office (on time); also compiled summary report for Synodical President and Chairman of Synod's Committee on Woman's Work.

Respectfully submitted,

RUTH S. WYNNE,
Recording Secretary.

The Corresponding Secretary was not present. Her report follows:

The Corresponding Secretary of the N. C. Synodical Auxiliary during the year 1924-1925 mailed out 7,000 programs for the Parallel Convention in Greensboro in February, and 3,000 registration cards for the same meeting.

Notices of Synodical meeting, Greensboro, October 20-22 and of change in address of the President were sent to all officers of Synodical, including delegates and to Presbyterial Presidents, Presbyterian Standard, Christian Observer, Presbyterian of the South, and Presbyterian Survey.

One hundred and sixty-three copies of proposed changes in the Constitution and By-Laws of the North Carolina Synodical Auxiliary were mailed to all Synodical officers and delegates.

In addition to this postal card notices were sent to all members

of North Carolina Synodical Executive Committee of the date and hour of this meeting. Eighteen personal letters have been written relating to the business of the Synodical.

EULA M. BLUE,
Corresponding Secretary

Mrs. L. Richardson urged all delegates and visitors to stay until close of Synodical, and invited them and their hostesses to have lunch with her at the Country club on Thursday.

It was also announced that Mrs. Myers would entertain at tea Wednesday afternoon at the manse in Irving Park.

Mrs. McClelland, Secretary of Literature, made announcement in regard to her literature room, after which meeting adjourned with prayer by Miss Laura Coit.

TUESDAY EVENING

At the Tuesday evening session the devotional was conducted by Mr. Chas. Norfleet, of Winston-Salem. Miss Emily Winn, missionary on furlough, gave a very interesting talk on Korea, after which Rev. W. E. Hill, of Fayetteville gave an inspirational address on "Money and Missions." Mrs. W. A. Ross, who was to have brought a message from Mexico, could not attend, so Miss Douglas, of Brazil, who was in the city, made a very interesting talk on the progress of mission work in Brazil.

The church choir furnished delightful music throughout the program. Meeting closed with prayer by Dr. Hill.

WEDNESDAY MORNING

The Wednesday morning session of Synodical opened at 9 o'clock with devotional conducted by Mrs. Edgar Yoder, President of Concord Presbyterial, on the "Fruit of the Holy Spirit."

Minutes of Tuesday afternoon session were read and approved.

In the absence of Mrs. R. C. Carson, Treasurer's report was read by Mrs. A. J. Howell. After hearing report of

Auditing Committee, Treasurer's report was accepted and placed on file, as follows:

TREASURER'S REPORT

From October 13, 1924 to Ocober 15, 1925

Mrs. R. C. Carson, Treasurer

October 13, 1924—Cash on hand	$ 827.13	
Receipts—Dues	832.50	
Receipts—Special	18.00	
Receipts—A. T. School	214.38	
Receipts—Charlotte Kemper	4,780.75	
		$6,672.76

Disbursements

General Expense	$1,208.06	
A. T. School	214.38	
Charlotte Kemper School	4,780.75	
Cash on hand	469.57	
		$6,672.76

Dues:

Albemarle	$ 45.00	
Concord	40.50	
Fayetteville	94.50	
Granville	151.50	
Kings Mountain	27.00	
Mecklenburg	225.00	
Orange	126.00	
Wilmington	60.00	
Winston-Salem	63.00	
Special—Life Membership	18.00	
		$ 850.50

A. T. School:

Albemarle	$ 9.65	
Concord	13.12	
Fayetteville	49.76	
Granville	10.00	
Kings Mountain	25.00	
Mecklenburg	45.65	
Orange	36.20	
Wilmington	15.00	
Winston-Salem	10.00	
		$ 214.38

Charlotte Kemper:		
Albemarle	236.74	
Concord	677.10	
Fayetteville	668.69	
Granville	185.60	
Kings Mountain	369.26	
Mecklenburg	1,262.97	
Orange	672.86	
Wilmington	418.30	
Winston-Salem	289.23	
		$4,780.75
		$5,845.63
Cash on hand October 13, 1924		827.13
		$6,672.76

REPORT OF AUDITING COMMITTEE

The Auditing Committee begs leave to report that they have carefully examined the Treasurer's books and find them most accurate in every particular.

MRS. A. J. HOWELL, Chairman.
MRS. J. R. PAGE.
MRS. J. E. DRISCOLL.

Announcement was made by President that Mrs. Jackson Johnson, Mrs. R. D. Blacknall, Mrs. S. N. Harrell and Mrs. R. C. Carson, were unable to attend Synodical due to illness or death in their families. Motion was made by Mrs. E. F. Reid, and duly carried, that telegrams be sent these women from Synodical expressing sympathy. President oppointed Mrs. Reid to send these telegrams.

Vice-President at Large made verbal report of her pleasant year's work.

Vice-President then took the chair, and report of President was accepted and placed on file, as follows:

As President of North Carolina Synodical Auxiliary, I beg leave to submit the following report:

Letters written, 876; post-cards, 139.

Your President attended the meeting of the Foreign Mission Conference at Washington, D. C., in February, as your representative and thanks you for the opportunity of attending that wonder-

ful meeting. She also attended a meeting of the State Inter-Racial Committee in Greensboro, in February, and planned and conducted the Parallel Convention, which met in Greensboro, in February. She visited three Presbyterials; attended a meeting of the Board of Trustees of Mission Court in Richmond, in May; was present during the Colored Woman's Conference in Charlotte in June; attended the meeting of the Woman's Advisory Committee and the Summer School of Missions at Montreat in July, and attended the meeting of the Synod of North Carolina.

In many ways our work has progressed, but there is a large deficit in gifts and a large increase in specials, which possibly accounts for the deficit.

During the coming year let the keynote be loyalty to our Master and to the work we have in charge for Him, so that we may pray: "Thy Kingdom Come."

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. W. L. WILSON.

President brought in recommendation from the Executive Committee that District Chairmen be invited to attend Synodical, but not to be voting members. After motion made and duly carried recommendation was adopted.

Report of Miss Margaret Rankin, Chairman of Colored Woman's Conference Work, was accepted with rising vote of thanks, and placed on file, as follows:

The success of the Third Annual Conference for Colored Women of North Carolina under the auspices of the North Carolina Synodical, cannot be measured by numbers.

Letters are constantly coming to us telling of what it meant to them, of how it had changed their lives, of how they were working out the information given them, in plans for helping their own people, etc. Fifty-two Christian women at work all over the state. Can the results be measured? Indeed they cannot.

The delegates were distributed by denominations as mollows: Presbyterian 30, Congregational 2, Baptist 6, Methodist 7, Missionary Baptist 2, Episcopalian 3, Christian Church 1, United Holy Church in America 1; total 52.

By Presbyteries as follows: Mecklenburg 21, Orange 4, Concord 9, Fayetteville 4, Albemarle 3, Winston-Salem 3, Granville 0, Kings Mountain 1, Wilmington 4, Asheville 1, and 2 from South Carolina.

The Bible was splendidly taught by Mrs. John Irwin, of Char-

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lotte. The daily demonstration by trained nurses each day, was most helpful.

The playground work and basket weaving with the sewing, were all taught by colored women, trained for the purpose.

The vesper services were in charge of the delegates and they did it most splendidly.

The Morning Watch, and marking for their deportment in dormitory, etc., were in charge of a splendid colored woman who acted as hostess for conference. There was a deficit of $26.00, which the Synodical Treasurer paid. Fine accounts of the conference were written by the delegates and printed in the three colored papers of the state.

I beg that every Christian woman that lives in the same town with any of these delegates, will lend her a helping hand in carrying out the work she is trying to do for her Master and her race.

"Inasmuch as ye did it unto one of the least of these, ye did it unto Me."

Respectfully submitted,

MARGARET G. RANKIN.

Inter-Racial Relations Committee report, made by Miss Margaret Rankin, was accepted and placed on file.

I attended two meetings of the State Inter-racial Committee meeting, and am glad to report that an Inter-racial Committee before which all questions relating to the welfare of the Negro race be brought, is being formed in Charlotte.

Respectfully submitted,

MARGARET G. RANKIN.

Report of Mrs. C. E. Wilkins, Secretary of Foreign Missions, accepted, and recommendations were considered seriatim, and adopted as amended.

Madam President and Members of the North Carolina Synodical:

In submitting this report of the Foreign Mission work done by the nine Presbyterials, I feel that in some ways our work has not been up to last year's level, in other ways we have gone forward and are making progress along many lines in this great branch of our Church's work.

From our Executive Committee of Foreign Missions we learn that an unusual financial situation is being faced throughout the Southern Church, that there has been a decided slump in contributions to this work, and the decrease in finances faced by the North Carolina Synodical is no different from the situation that other Synodicals are facing. Our contributions to Foreign Missions show

a decrease; in 1924 we contributed $55,980.00, this year our contributions amounted to $45,203; decrease, $10,777. This of course does not include our "Birthday Gift" to the Charlotte Kemper School, which amounted to $4,710.00, neither does it include our White Cross Work.

We are being urged constantly to bring our gifts more frequently than ever before, for surely there has never been a time when the gifts were so needed, nor has there ever been a time when the Foreign Field has called so loudly for our help as now. When we consider the magnitude of the Foreign Field it surely inspires us with a greater ambition and determination to work more earnestly than ever before.

1924 reported 5,372 members enrolled in the Foreign Mission Study Classes. This year 5,440 members were enrolled in 267 classes, an increase of 68 members. Of the 256 Auxiliaries reporting on Foreign work there were only 84 of these assuming definite Foreign Mission objects. I think here we might develop one of our strongest and best Foreign Mission projects by urging each Presbyterial Secretary to develop this phase of Foreign Mission work; 161 of our Auxiliaries report the observance of the Day of Prayer for Foreign Missions. Undoubtedly many of our women are praying in private daily for Foreign Missions, but I do believe that we would do exceedingly well by ourselves to observe this day of prayer more generally throughout the Presbyterials. We cannot expect the Foreign Field to prosper unless we pray earnestly and unceasingly for the work.

Recommendations

1. That each Auxiliary accept the percentage recommended by the General Assembly for Foreign Missions.

2. That each Auxiliary endeavor to assist in the establishment of a Church School of Missions during January and February, and that each Auxiliary study this year's text-book, Prayer and Missions.

3. That Auxiliaries and individuals and Presbyterials assume whenever practicable definite responsibility for definite parts of Foreign Mission works, and that the Auxiliaries encourage the Sunday Schools to make definite contributions to Foreign Mission work.

4. That we observe Loyalty Week for all causes. This year there will be no Foreign Mission Self-Denial Week, neither will there be a special effort to supply the Foreign Mission equipment needs. The work on the fields is growing, the receipts are not measuring up.

5. That each Auxiliary urge its members to make use of the prayer calendar, and that for this greatest of all causes, Foreign Missions, we pray without ceasing.

6. I would heartily recommend the "Missionary Review of the World" as being one of the best and most helpful magazines published on Mission topics; not failing to urge each member of our entire organization to subscribe to the Survey.

Personal Work

I attended the Foreign Mission Interdenominational Conference in Washington City January, 1925. I have attended Albemarle and Wilmington Presbyterials, have attended two group meetings in Albemarle Presbyterial and have visited the following Auxiliaries: Faison, Smithfield, Selma, Kinston and Goldsboro. I shall be glad to visit any of the Auxiliaries whenever it may be arranged.

Letters written 150.

I cannot close this report without thanking the Presbyterial Secretaries for their ready co-operation and help.

Respectfully submitted,

(MRS. CLARENCE E.) SALLY KIRBY WILKINS.

The report of Mrs. C. E. Wilkins, on White Cross Work was accepted and placed on file, as follows:

It is with real pleasure that I submit the report for the White Cross work for the year ending April 1, 1925. The work so splendidly established by Mrs. Wilson has grown rapidly, and this year sees each Presbyterial assuming its share of the work, with 165 Auxiliaries as undertaking the White Cross Work.

The assignment of Hospitals remains the same as last year, with the exception of Dr. Coppedge's Hospital in Morelia, Mexico. The duty into Mexico is prohibitive, and the three Presbyterials heretofore supplying this Hospital will send their work elsewhere for the present at least. Mrs. Winsborough hopes that eventually these gifts to foreign hospitals may go duty free, but until that time arrives we will have to abide by current rules and regulations.

Each year the Hospital to be supplied sends a list of the articles desired for the coming year to the Secretary of Foreign Missions, these lists are divided and sent to the Presbyterial Secretaries, who re-divide the lists and sends to each Auxiliary. Each Auxiliary is requested to add 15 cents per town for packing and shipping expenses. The Presbyterial Secretary of Foreign Missions receives the articles and does the final packing and shipping, exact directions being supplied by the Synodical Secretary.

This year a number of Presbyterial Secretaries have asked for an assistant to be known as the White Cross Secretary, she taking the full responsibility of the White Cross work in her Presbyterial, but working under the direction of the Presbyterial Secretary of

Foreign Missions. The need of an assistant is indicative of the growth of this work.

Last year some of the supplies were held back on account of the continuous warfare in China, but our Hospitals write me to please see that our supplies go forward as rapidly as possible as practically all supplies sent reach them in safety, and the need of supplies is always urgent. They also write of their unbounded gratitude to the women supplying these great needs. I see no reason why this work should not continue to grow, and I am sure each Auxiliary is a better Auxiliary for having contributed to this work of love and mercy. I think each Auxiliary realizes now that all White Cross work is over-and-above and must be a voluntary gift, and that no regular contributions to Foreign Missions can be used in the purchase of supplies.

Each Presbyterial Secretary has sent a detailed report of the work done and I am glad to be able to present to you the following combined report for the year's work:

Sheets 702, pillow cases 472, towels 826, surgeons' gowns, 113, surgeons' jackets 39, nurses' aprons 167, surgeons' caps 58, bandages 9,063, surgical dressings 13,650, bed spreads 104, bed pan covers 99, comfort covers 215, laphose 8 pairs, infant shirts 4, kimonos 3, bibs 6.

Miscellaneous: Thimbles, needles, pins, spool thread, soap, powder, tooth paste, cold cream, buttons, handkerchiefs, combs, hair pins, pencils, manicure sets 4, absorbent cotton 17 boxes, plain gauze 1 package, bath cloths 14, adhesive plaster 4 boxes, $5.00 worth of gauze, $6.00 worth of bandages.

At the Executive Meeting held in Greensboro on October 20, 1925, a committee was appointed by Mrs. Wilson to act on the withdrawal of gifts from Morelia Hospital. This committee composed of Mrs. Spillman, Mrs. Yoder, Mrs. Neisler and myself decided that the three Presbyterials represented should this year send their gifts to Banner Elk, and that in succeeding years each group of three Presbyterials should alternate their gifts between the foreign hospital and Banner Elk.

Respectfully submitted,

(MRS. CLARENCE E.) SALLY KIRBY WILKINS.

At this time Synodical was favored with a solo by a member of the church choir.

Special prayer for Foreign Missions was offered by Rev. W. E. Hill.

Chair announced the following committees:

Courtesy: Mrs. C. E. Neisler, Chairman; Miss Fannie

Gray, Mrs. W. P. M. Currie, Mrs. W. S. Lacy, Mrs. Jno. T. Lowe.

Leave of Absence: Mrs. Edgar Yoder, Chairman; Mrs. J. B. Spillman.

Mrs. Wilson explained that Leave of Absence is a new committee we are copying from Synod. Any member leaving Synodical before adjournment and all absentees must be excused by this committee, or their names will be published in minutes.

In the absence of Miss Grace Henderson, a very interesting report of Grace Hospital, Banner Elk, was given by Miss Susan Hall.

Report of Miss Susan Hall, Secretary of S. P. and C. Home Missions was accepted and placed on file as follows:

Madam President and Members of the Synodical:

I beg to report that, of the 258 (reported) Auxiliaries in our nine Presbyterials, 167 (reported) have contributed to the cause of Synodical, Presbyterial and Congregational Home Missions.

It is impossible to give the number of those who have presented the cause to their members. For the Presbyterial Secretaries cannot give them, as the reports of the Auxiliaries do not give them in many cases. However, certain significant facts are apparent. One Presbyterial Secretary reports, "The gifts to this cause show a decrease; only 12 (out of 40) presented the programs." Another's report shows that, of the four Auxiliaries who did not contribute, only one presented the cause in its programs. Dr. Gillespie reports 19 churches in one Presbytery not contributing to Synodical Home Missions; as only two of this number have Auxiliaries, the moral is plain! Information is the one great need. "Faith cometh by hearing." Those who know the most about any need are those who give the most.

Therefore, our first recommendation is: Keep the cause of Synodical, Presbyterial and Congregational Home Missions before the Auxiliaries. I quote, for my other recommendations, those of some of our faithful Presbyterial Secretaries: "Stick to the budget, until it is met; present the cause—entire—at the appointed times, in interesting programs; give all possible support to local Home Mission work; look closely into the needs of your immediate vicinity, to see if all in the bounds of your church are being given the Gospel."

Here, I believe, lies the secret. It is easier often to let our interest journey to the uttermost parts of the earth, and turn our imagination loose upon the needs of the heathen than to seek out the neglected in our alley and round up the dirty ones under our feet, to lead them into better things. But, I ask you, if every strong church, and every weak church, too, made up its mind to go after every individual within its own proper radius—what would become of our Cause? There would be nothing left of it but Congregational Home Missions. And that part, so our Superintendents will tell us, is now the most neglected!

After we have sought out those who should belong in our own congregations, there are the immediate neighbors. If every struggling Auxiliary had the firm arm of a stronger and older sister to lean upon, for guidance and inspiration, how long would it remain a struggler? "Come over and help us," "Come and show us how to apportion our tiny funds as the Assembly wishes," "Come and tell us what the Standard of Excellence means," "Send us somebody to talk to us about the things of the Kingdom," "Give us a visit from a Presbyterial officer." Do we not all recognize these plaintive pleas from our little sisters? Oh, women, let us determine now never to refuse an opportunity of this sort, but rather to seek them and to make use of them with all our hearts for the Master, rejoicing that our women are awakening so tremendously! If we read the account of Mrs. E. A. MacRae's arduous early labors in Fayetteville Presbytery, when she carried out her determination, as President of the Union, to visit the women in every church within her little kingdom, we shall see how far our women have come in interest and knowledge and devotion since then.

Among the forms of S. P. C. Home Missions that have been reported by the Auxiliaries are Mission Sunday Schools; County work; programs, covering all or parts of the work; Colored work; new Auxiliaries organized; the Building League; weaker churches helped; such educational work as Glade Valley School, in Winston-Salem Presbyterial. But among the various activities are some that should not properly be listed under the head of S. P. C. Home Missions. Orphanage work, for instance, is a separate cause. Mountain work is also, as it comes under the head of Assembly's Home Missions; and all undenominational work should be placed under "Miscellaneous." And here we have a plea from all the men and women who handle our finances—let Miscellaneous wait for Budget. Let us not allow our budget to take the soul out of our giving, but let us put a soul into the budget! Fill it up, run it over, and then begin to give!

Let us try harder to apportion each Benevolent dollar as the Assembly asks, 10 per cent for Synodical Home Missions, 10 per cent for Presbyterial, and 2½ per cent for Congregational, and when the Congregational Home Missions is really Presbyterial, let Presbyterial have 12½ per cent.

Presbyterial S. P. C. Secretaries have a great opportunity, not only to

stir up the local secretaries to good works, but to go themselves wherever they are needed. And each one of us, "having a light," may hand it on till we all come to know "the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ."

Personal Report: I attended the Executive Committee meeting in February, in Greensboro, and the Colored Women's Conference in Charlotte, in June. I wrote the Presbyterial Secretaries, sending them what literature I could. I distributed to them the notices for the Colored Women's Conference and helped make arrangements for sending our local delegates. Have spoken on the Cause and have tried to get information about S. P. C. Home Missions from all the Presbyterials and to illustrate it on a Synodical map.

Respectfully submitted,

SUSAN E. HALL, Secretary.

Rev. E. E. Gillespie, D.D., addressed the Synodical at this time. He expressed thanks for $6,000.00 received from Auxiliaries of the State this year, and asked that Auxiliaries set aside July as S. P. and C. Home Mission month, and put on special programs in Church and Auxiliary for this cause, closing his talk with prayer.

Report of Mrs. D. H. Shaw, Secretary of Y. P. Work and S. S. Extension, with recommendations, adopted as follows:

Your Secretary of Young People's Work submits the following report:

A glance at the statistical report shows very little gain over last year. There have been many changes among Presbyterial Secretaries of Y. P. W. during the past year and therefore a good deal of confusion, so that it was more than usually difficult to get adequate reports.

All Presbyterial Secretaries of Y. P. W. except two came to the 1925 conference. These were prevented from coming by illness and sent excellent substitutes.

A feature of the conference was the decision of the P. Y. P. L. to found a Scholarship in the Student Loan Fund to be known as the Mamie McElwee Scholarship. The amount raised by them for this scholarship is $325.00, and they hope to complete a scholarship of $2,500.00. They did this entirely on their own initiative out of love for Miss McElwee and appreciation of her work.

The amount forwarded to Dr. Magill for S. S. Miss. Fund, was $144.40. The P. Y. P. L. decided to discontinue this fund but to emphasize the Barium College gift fund, asking $3.50 from each society.

The total amount forwarded Dr. Sweets in 1924 for Barium College gift fund was $215.51, and in 1925, $197.04, making a total of $412.55.

Disbursements were as follows:

March 14, 1925, for Edw. Fraley	$ 54.00
April 23, 1925, for Edw. Fraley	63.50
April 29, 1925, for Harry Estridge	35.00
May 7, 1925, for Edw. Fraley	25.00
	$177.50

This leaves a balance of $235.05.

The Merit Cup was won this year by Fayetteville Presbytery, the points on which the cup is to be won are the same as last year.

Following the Conference, Echo Conferences were held in nearly all Presbyteries. These were generally well attended and successful, a result of careful and prayerful planning.

In many respects we feel encouraged about our young people's work —as a church we are studying their needs and seeking to reach, interest and hold them as never before. The world is also reaching out eager hands for our young people; yet today, I believe there are more active, earnest young Christians actually serving their Master than ever before. Knowing that there are many unsolved problems connected with Y. P. W. I ask you to give the new Secretary of Y. P. W. your heartiest co-operation, practical assistance and earnest prayer. May you each one feel that the young people of your church are your responsbility.

The following recommendations come to us from the Y. P. Committee of W. A. C.:

"There seems no need for further recommendations than have been offered in previous years.

1. We would, however, ask that since the Secretary of Y. P. W. is the logical woman for maintaining the close co-operation desired between the Committee on Y. P. W. in Synodical, Presbyterial and the Woman's Auxiliary, the utmost care be used in the selection of Secretaries of Y. P. W.

2. We would suggest that on account of the general and increasing indifference of young people toward attendance at the services of the church, the women of the Auxiliaries covenant to endeavor to have the young people of the church accompany them to the regular Sabbath services.

3. In reply to Miss Shields' presentation of the Motion Picture Betterment League of America, endorsed by the Presbyterian Committee of Publication, we would earnestly recommend to the women of the local Auxiliaries, membership in the League through signing and returning its membership cards.

4. We would heartily commend the work done by the Conference of Leaders of Y. P. Work while in Chattanooga, October, 1924, and pledge

our loyal support and co-operation in further plans for the promotion of work among young people.

Respectfully submitted,

(MRS. D. H.) ELIZA PATTERSON SHAW,
Secretary.

Report of Mrs. H. M. McAllister, Secretary of C. E. and M. R. accepted, and recommendations, after being considered seriatim and an amendment made, were adopted as amended:

Your Secretary of Christian Education and Ministerial Relief begs to submit the following report:

Personal Work

Letters written, 125; cards, 50. I have attended one Presbyterial, the meeting of the Board of Directors of P. Y. P. L., at Davidson, assisted in the library campaign for Flora Macdonald College, and arranged Presbyterial dates for Miss Charlotte B. Jackson's visit to North Carolina.

I find in studying the Presbyterial reports and Dr. Sweets' annual report to the General Assembly, there is great cause for thankfulness. God has richly blessed the work of Christian Education and Ministerial Relief during the past year.

The average salary paid to our ministers has materially increased, but there is still need for better provision for a large number of our ministers. More homes have received aid from our relief fund. While a large increase was made in the regular appropriations, it was impossible to send the 20 per cent bonus, which has been forwarded during the past three years.

Our Schools and Colleges have been greatly strengthened. Co-operating with Synod to make our four Presbyterian colleges for women Grade A, the Synodical undertook to bring their libraries up to the State standard and over $12,000 were given for this purpose. Every library now meets standardized requirements and the work is going forward.

The young people in increasing numbers are offering themselves for Christian service. The committee discourages the very young people from signing cards or definitely and publicly announcing their decision with regard to life work. We are asked not to count high school students as life service volunteers as they have so many years before they can really serve, and often change their minds.

We are especially anxious to increase the Student Loan Fund, which is almost exhausted. The Student Loan Fund has been built up chiefly through the erection of Scholarship Funds, and I notice with regret from the list of forty scholarships in North Carolina there are several which

have been started on which no remittances have been received for several years. It is the wish of the committee that scholarships be raised to $600, as this is the amount loaned to one student during the four years of the college course.

Included in the recommendations adopted by the General Assembly are:

1st. "That our Presbyterial Committee on Christian Education be urged to take more careful oversight of the candidates under care of Presbytery and to counsel with them, especially in regard to their finances."

2nd. "That the maximum loan for this year to Candidates for the Ministry and Mission Work be, in ordinary cases, $175."

In North Carolina we have 107 Candidates for the Ministry and 16 for Mission Service. Hundreds will have to be refused unless the members of the Presbyterian family show a greater liberality toward this work. Shall we disappoint the candidates who are now pursuing their course in College, Training School and Theological Seminaries?

"There are three things each leader needs for this great work: *Vision*, *reverence* and *prayer*. Vision of the things not seen as yet, to which each life may come; reverence for the Divine potential power of human personality and the right of every human soul to the life that God planned for it; and prayer which should wing each word spoken, every story told, every leaflet given and every letter written."

Recommendations

(1) That the Synodical commend to the Auxiliaries and Young People's organizations a thorough plan for School and College Study Class, recommended and adopted by the General Assembly.

(2) That the Budget System be adopted by even the weakest Auxiliary or Presbyterial so the cause of Christian Education and Ministerial Relief may be sure of its 7½ per cent, Schools and Colleges of their 10 per cent, and the Assembly's Training School of the small per cent the General Assembly has directed the churches to put upon the budget.

(3) That each and every Auxiliary not only follow the Budget plan and percentage strictly as fixed by Presbytery, but see that the local Church Treasurers do not ignore our cause.

(4) That inasmuch as there is no provision in our Church Colleges in this State for post-graduate work for young women, and that the extra expense incident thereto for such instruction in our Women's Colleges would be very great, we, the Synodical of North Carolina, in session at Greensboro, hereby endorse the overture from the Granville Presbyterial to the Trustees of Davidson College, which already has such courses of instruction provided, to open these post-graduate courses to young women, that they too may be accorded the privilege of procuring

their Master's degree from a Christian institution which is under the auspices of our Church.

(5) Inasmuch as the Assembly's Training School is sending out such a fine body of trained Christian workers and the Church is using these graduates as Bible teachers in Schools and Colleges, in Summer Conferences, in Sunday School Institutes and in numerous other ways as volunteer workers in their home churches, and

Whereas, many promising students who could render a large service to the Church as trained workers find it impossible to finance themselves in these times when the cost of living is so high, we recommend the establishtment of scholarships in our Presbyterials, and endorse the plan of the Presbyterian Standard for securing scholarships.

Respectfully submitted,

(MRS. H. M.) ELISE R. McALLISTER.

Mrs. J. B. Spillman explained plan of Presbyterian Standard for Scholarships.

Mrs. W. B. Ramsay, Chairman of Y. P. Committee, gave report, which was accepted, and recommendations adopted, after being considered seriatim, as follows:

Your committee would record our gratitude to the Head of the Church for the evidences on the part of our Church Courts and organizations and agencies of an awakened interest in the work of our Young People.

We ask the definite and continued prayers of all our women for guidance and wisdom for all who have the responsibility of leadership in the Young People's Work.

Your committee has served as members of the Presbyterian Young People's League Board of Directors, every member being present at the Davidson Conference. We submit the following recommendations:

That we commend to the Presbyterials an earnest consideration of the action of Synod in recommending that a S. S. and Young People's Field Worker be placed in each Presbytery.

That each Presbyterial at the next annual meeting give a place on the program for the promotion of Daily Vacation Bible Schools in the local churches.

That the Synodical ask that the Young People's report blanks include space for the names and addresses of the Young People's leaders in each church—this in addition to the name and address of the Secretary of Young People's work in the Auxiliary.

That the women of the Synodical be urged to co-operate in seeing

that our Synod has its full quota of Young People at the Atlanta Convention, December 29-30-31.

MRS. W. B. RAMSEY, Chairman.
MRS. H. M. McALLISTER,
MRS. D. H. SHAW,
MISS MAMIE McELWEE,

Report of Historical Records Committee was read by Secretary in the absence of Mrs. Jackson Johnson, Chairman, and was adopted with recommendations as follows:

We, the undersigned, a committee appointed by the Synodical President, Mrs. W. L. Wilson, to investigate an inaccuracy in the date of our Synodical organization, find that we were organized on August 10, 1912, and would refer you to a "Brief History of the Synodical of North Carolina," page 3, and also "Report of the Second Annual Meeting of the Woman's Council of the Presbyterian Church, U. S., May 21 to 27, 1914, page 23.

We therefore recommend that the date in "Pioneer Women of the South," pag 270, be changed to read August 10, 1912, instead of August 10, 1913.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. JACKSON JOHNSON,
MARGARET G. RANKIN,
GRACE K. RAMSAY,
RUTH S. WYNNE.

In the absence of Mrs. R. D. Blacknall, Historian, her report was read by Mrs. E. F. Reid, was accepted and placed on file:

As Historian of Synodical, I submit the following report:

In the volume which I lay before you, I have probably transcended my sphere of action in introducing many details from the Presbyterial records of 1921-1925. But this was done for a definite purpose, viz.: to give a sort of running outline of the development and phases of our Woman's Work in this swiftly moving period, for the sake of future reference. It is not introduced to be a repetition of *Presbyterial* history as a part of Synodical history.

In getting information from our various Presbyterials in 1921, preparatory to writing our North Carolina Chapter in "Pioneer Women," I acquired a good deal that was not needed for that purpose, and set it aside for this History. Also, I failed utterly to acquire much information that was needed for both purposes.

I have written or compiled this History under four headings: (1) Our Earliest Organizations. (2) Organization of Unions-Pres-

byterilals. (3) Subsequent Presbyterial Development. (4) History of Synodical.

The Histories of Wilmington Presbyterial up to 1922 and of Fayetteville up to 1914 have been published in pamphlet form, and are introduced as such in the book. I have not essayed to touch on their history earlier than 1921— the year that I was made Historian. From the other Presbyterials I have gleaned such bits of the history of their churches as I could get, and have introduced them separately, giving space for further data at the hands of succeeding Historians.

I have written more about Orange and Albemarle because I knew more about my neighbors. My successors will live in various parts of the Synod, and will in like manner fill in much data that is out of my reach or power to obtain. I have used the Loose-leaf book with that idea in view.

I am sorry not to have a complete file of Presbyterial minutes of 1922-25 to turn over with this History to the new Historian, but will send what I have and try to supply the missing numbers.

It has been a rare and rich privilege to deal with these beloved Presbyterian folks of the past and the present; and truly, I have felt the uplift of the "communion with saints" as I studied and tabulated and arranged these records of their lives and deeds.

Respectfully submitted,

(Mrs. R. D.) SADIE F. BLACKNALL, Hist.

Report of Miss Corinne Puett, Secretary for Development of Spiritual Life, with recommendations, was adopted as follows:

Special emphasis has been laid on the development of the spiritual life of the women of North Carolina Synodical Auxiliary and I am glad to report a good increase in all departments of this work, except stewardship.

More women than ever before are doing real Bible study. The increase this year has been nearly seventeen hundred. If we are to judge by increase in numbers, the prayer life of individuals and auxiliaries has been greatly strengthened through a good increase in the number of Prayer Bands and Family Altars.

Last year we were grieved over the decrease in number of additions to our church on profession of faith. This year we are glad to report a splendid increase, although we are far from reaching our goal of "Every one win one."

While all the Presbyterials have sent in good reports, Mecklenburg leads all the Presbyterials in every department for the development of Spiritual life.

The increase in numbers by departments for the year is as follows:

Prayer Bands	Bible Study Classes	Family Altars	Tithers	Additions to Church on Profession of Faith
110	110	117	217	517

May this report only inspire us to a greater zeal for the study of God's Word, more earnestness in our prayer life, more self-sacrifice in our giving, a greater determination, being led by His Holy Spirit, to be a true witness for Him, and to have as our one aim, the winning of souls for Christ.

Recommendations

1. That the Synodical commend the plan of holding a prayer circle each Sabbath morning immediately before the preaching service, asking for the presence and power of the Holy Spirit on the whole work of the church.

2. That every woman of our Synodical Auxiliary consider seriously the lack of Sabbath observance and do all in her power to bring about the proper observance of God's day in our state.

3. That each Auxiliary endeavor to assist in the establishment of a Daily Vacation Bible School in their own church or community.

Respectfully submitted,

CORINNE PUETT, Secretary.

Rev. W. M. Hunter addressed the Synodical on Synod's Schools and Colleges.

After prayer by Dr. Gillespie meeting adjourned for lunch.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON

The Wednesday afternoon session of Synodical opened by singing "There is a Fountain Filled with Blood," after which Mrs. E. F. Reid led a most helpful devotional on "Loving Kindness."

The most impressive part of the Synodical program was presented by 17 members of Kindergarten Class at Barium Springs Orphanage in charge of Mrs. Simpson.

The following Presbyterial Presidents' reports were heard with interest:

Wilmington—Mrs. A. J. Howell.
Albemarle—Mrs. S. N. Harrell (read by Secretary).
Granville—Mrs. S. C. Brawley.
Orange—Mrs. E. P. Wharton.
Fayetteville—Mrs. J. R. Page.
Winston-Salem—Mrs. Chas. Norfleet.
Concord—Mrs. Edgar Yoder.
Mecklenburg—Mrs. J. B. Spillman.
Kings Mountain—Mrs. C. E. Neisler.

At this time Mrs. Beaver, from Salisbury, brought to Synodical very cordial greetings from the W. C. T. U., now in session in Greensboro.

A very interesting and helpful conference on Auxiliary organization and the Big Sister Plan was led by Mrs. A. J. Howell, President of Wilmington Presbyterial.

Miss Mamie McElwee, Secretary of Y. P. Conference and Student Work, gave report, which was accepted with rising vote of thanks.

Young People's Conference

The seventh annual conference of the Presbyterian Young People's League held under the control and guidance of Synod and the Synodical Auxiliary is today a matter of history. History, which under the blessing of God, records the best conference in point of choice delegation, spirit of co-operation, and co-ordination of work of any previous conference.

The faculty was strong intellectually and spiritually. The assistant counselors and workers were all elected with a view to personal work among the young people; leaders with a sympathetic understanding of youth who would give them help and guidance in meeting their religious and spiritual problems.

The curriculum covered a study of our church, its history, doctrine and government. The mission work of the church was presented through text book courses, lectures and personal interviews with home and foreign missionaries who were on the campus. Four splendid Bible courses were

given; a class on Stewardship and a general Method's period. A number of delegates took one unit of the regular Sunday School Teacher Training course with examination.

The inspirational addresses and the Vesper Services were deeply spiritual and made a strong impression upon the three hundred and forty young people of the conference. An invitation was given the night before the close of the conference to any who wished to remain after the meeting and talk with the leaders about life service for the Master, and ninety-seven young people gathered into the room set apart for this conference, quietly they came, earnestly seeking God's plan for their life. Those who were privileged to be in this inner chamber of the conference went out with a prayer of thanksgiving to God for this manifestation of the work of His spirit. They need our daily prayers that the spirit may guide and strengthen them in their purpose to serve the Master, and I trust they will have the prayers of the women of the Synodical Auxiliary.

Student Work

The church has no greater opportunity today to reach youth than that presented in the ever increasing number of students entering our Christian colleges and state institutions of learning. These students will be the future leaders in religious thought and activity, and it is the duty as well the responsibility of our church to have a close personal touch with the Presbyterian students, making every effort to safeguard them in the most critical period in life; seeking to keep them loyal to Christ and the program of the Southern Presbyterian church for the advancement of His kingdom.

I am glad the Synodical Auxiliary of North Carolina has met its responsibilty to the young women students in giving them a student secretary whose duty it is to visit them, and also as far as possible, to link up their organization through prayer and gifts with the work of our church and to serve them whenever opportunity presents itself.

Our colleges and Presbyterial high schools have sent fine reports showing an increase in number of students—a decrease in number of volunteers but an increase in number of ministerial students, prayer bands and mission study classes. The total gifts show a slight decrease although the number of tithers more than double that of last year. The causes to which they contribute are Missions, Sunday School Work, Christian Education, Orphanages and Christian Social Service. Nearly all report some phase of Christian Social Service Work, and all report interesting programs throughout the scholastic year.

The Library Campaign resulted in the standardizing of the libraries of Peace Institute and Mitchell College and splendid donations to Flora McDonald and Queen's College though leaving them about two thousand volumes short of required number.

The outstanding work of your Student Secretary has not been the Library Campaign, though richly blessed, but the personal interviews and correspondence with the officers and christian leaders of the Young Woman's Christian Association in these institutions," the meeting with groups for prayer and heart talks about the Master and life service to Him.

Statistical Report

Communications	1,050
Rally Meetings Attended	1
Conferences Attended	2
Miles Traveled	1,014

Respectfully submitted,

MAMIE McELWEE.

Secretary of Assembly's Home Missions, Mrs. A. M. Fairley, was absent. Her report follows:

Every year the home mission work of the church becomes more urgent in its importance, not only to the security of the nation, but to our denominational growth. In town and country rapid changes are taking place, which present new problems and enlarging demands.

Upon Assembly's Home Missions has been placed the responsibility for the evangelization of the Indians, the Mountaineers, the Negroes, the Jews, the immigrants. The Executive Committee supports or aids in the support of 802 workers—evangelists, pastors, and teachers—in 894 churches and schools. Never was the Assembly's Home Mission cause in such desperate need of funds with which to meet the growing demands. Last year the receipts were $27,200 less than the year before and $259,560 less than the amount assigned this fundamental cause.

If this situation continues the committee has no option but to discontinue some of its work and curtail its appropriations to the Presbyteries. The Executive Committee can only go forward as the church supplies the money.

After reading the reports it is gratifying to see that the churches have been faithful in conducting the Home Mission study classes. The day of prayer was not universally observed which I regretted to see, for our only means of advance is on our knees. All of the churches with but few exceptions give systematically and regularly to this cause. Since we are convinced that the Gospel of Jesus Christ is the only salvation of our country let us not withhold the money necessary to carry on the work.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. A. M. FAIRLEY, Secretary.

Minutes for the day were read and approved.

Meeting closed with prayer by Mrs. E. P. Wharton.

WEDNESDAY EVENING

The evening devotional was conducted by Rev. R. Murphy Williams.

Mrs. Wilson, President, displayed a certificate of Life Membership in the Auxiliary, presented by the Executive Committee to Mrs. Jackson Johnson, Honorary President of the Synodical. In the absence of Mrs. Johnson, it was accepted in her behalf by Mrs. A. J. Howell, President of Wilmington Presbyterial.

The Synodical was very fortunate in having Rev. and Mrs. Howard Taylor of the China Inland Mission, who told of the growth of this wonderful work, that was founded by Dr. Taylor's father, Rev. Hudson Taylor.

Mrs. S. C. Farrior of our own mission in China, also made a most interesting address.

Service closed with prayer by Dr. Howard Taylor.

THURSDAY MORNING

The Thursday morning session opened at 9 o'clock by singing "I Love to Tell the Story," and prayer by Mrs. J. B. Spillman.

Mrs. Chas. Norfleet made plea for Assembly Inn at Montreat. No action was taken.

Secretary of Orphanage Work, Mrs. W. T. Clark, was absent. Her report follows:

Your Secretary of Orphanage Work submits the following report:

In the last few years there has been a very decided increase in the number of children in the Orphanage without a corresponding increase in the money available for their support, and it has become most difficult to make the income cover all the necessary expenses.

The Orphanage Secretaries for this reason have not attempted to take up any new work, but have devoted all their energies to the carrying out of the recommendation made last year to the Synodical:—"That each local Auxiliary be urged to send to the Presbyterial Secretary one dollar a month for each circle over and above the regular budget; this to be used for the support fund of the Orphanage."

The Orphanage is our responsibility. Mr. Johnston is doing a splendid work at Barium Springs but he cannot do it alone. The children

under his care must be fed three times each day, they must be clothed, educated, and trained to be self-supporting. To do this he needs the support of each member of our Synodical.

As Synodical Secretary I earnestly hope that this may be brought home to our local Auxiliary in such a way that during this year we may reach the goal toward which we are striving:—A dollar a month over and above the regular budget from every circle in every local Auxiliary, so that the little ones intrusted to our care may not suffer.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. W. T. CLARK, Secretary.

Report of Mrs. W. A. West, Secretary of Christian Social Service, accepted and recommendations adopted, as follows:

The Auxiliary has long felt the need of a Secretary for Social Service work, since the Secetary of S. P. and C. Home Missions has her hands more than full with Synodical and Presbyterial Home Missions to give sufficient time to the local or Congregational Community work. While our work has progressed slowly we are learning to stand alone—infants so often tread on the toes of their elders unintentionally—as our work has a tendency to overlap some of the other causes.

Reports from seven Presbyterials have been very encouraging. Tongue or pen can never record the amount of good that has been done by visits to invalids, hospitals, jails, convict camps, army posts, the negroes, and many other places that have heretofore been overlooked or neglected. One Auxiliary assisted in holding a negro Vacation Bible School, as has already been reported. Children have been given clothes and support has been given those in need. Flowers and literature have been distributed freely. Work among the Croatan Indians has been started. An effort has been made to reach non-church members.

No money has been expended in our work, since Mrs. Winsborough's idea for Social Service work is service rather than the expenditure of money. As it is sometimes impossible to render effective service without funds we would urge the Secretary of this cause to guard very carefully against promiscuous giving and never forget that we are responsible for our own Causes *first*.

Your Secretary attended the Parallel conventions in Greensboro last February and three group conferences last fall.

Recommendations

1. In view of the increasing lawlessness in our country, we recommend that the Secretary of Christian Social Service have a large copy of the Ten Commandments placed in suitable public places such as hotels,

railroad stations, courthouses, jails, school buildings, hospitals, and Sunday School rooms.

2. That a sum of money be designated in our Auxiliary budget for local charities, to be used by the Secretary of Christian Social Service, *if needed,* under the direction of the Executive Committee.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. W. A. WEST.

Mrs. Chas. Norfleet, Chairman of Committee on Place of Meeting made report, which was accepted with rising vote of thanks:

As Chairman of the Committee on Place of Meeting, I beg leave to submit its report:

The Woman's Auxiliary of Red Springs invitees the North Carolina Synodical Auxiliary to hold its annual meeting in 1926 as their guests.

Mrs. J. R. Page, President of Fayetteville Presbyterial adds her most cordial invitation to that of Red Springs.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. CHAS. M. NORFLEET, Chairman,
MRS. J. R. PAGE.

President announced the resignation of Miss Eula Blue, Corresponding Secretary, and appointed Mrs. T. V. Moore, of Acme, to fill out her unexpired term.

Mrs. E. F. Reid made the following resolution, which was adopted:

"We, the representatives of the Presbyterian Women of North Carolina, would record our protest against the questionable and suggestive literature that is all too prevalent and too accessible."

Miss Mamie McElwee offered the following resolution which was adopted:

Realizing the enormous task before the Churches of our Synod in raising a budget of $850,000—one hundred thousand of which is to be raised by the Secretary of Stewardship as a challenge fund, recommend that each Presbyterial president write a letter to her local Auxiliary presidents calling attention to the action of Synod authorizing this budget and urging that the women of the Auxiliaries do their part through prayer and effort in making possible the full realization of this goal.

Motion was made by Mrs. Brawley that Synodical have a Committee on Recommendations to discuss recommenda-

tions before they are presented to Synodical body. Motion carried.

At this time the Synodical laid aside business and Rev. Chas. Myers, D.D., pastor of the church, and Rev. C. E. Hodgin, D.D., administered the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper.

The President then took the chair, and after a season of silent prayer, she led in earnest prayer for guidance in work still to be done.

Mrs. J. M. McIver, Chairman of Committee on Organization, presented the following recommendations, which were considered and voted on seriatim, and then adopted as a whole:

Your Committee on Organization begs to submit the following recommendations:

(1) That to Article IV of Constitution be added to the list of Secretaries that of "Secretary of Christian Social Service," and that following the Auxiliary Plan, the "Secretary of Young People's Conferences and Student Work" be discontinued.

(2) That to Sec. 8, Artice III of By-Laws be added "The Colored Woman's Conference shall be in charge of the Inter-Racial Committee, the Chairman being Executive Secretary of the Conference."

(3) To Sec. 3, Article V of By-Laws add "The expenses of all special work authorized by the Executive Committee shall be borne by the Synodical."

(4) That Sec. 1, Article VII of By-Laws be changed to read "Twenty-five members of the Synodical shall constitute a quorum, etc."

(5) To Article IX of By-Laws add "Every Officer, on election, should be furnished with a copy of the Constitution by the Recording Secretary."

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. JOHN M. McIVER, Chairman,
Mrs. I. F. HILL,
Mrs. GOODE CHEATHAM.

Mrs. Chas. Norfleet, Chairman of Finance Committee gave report, which was accepted and recommendations adopted, as follows:

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE

Budget for Year Beginning April, 1926

Expenses to Woman's Advisory Committee	$ 200.00
Expenses of President during year	300.00
Expenses of Annual Meeting	200.00
Expenses of Officers and Secretaries of Causes for year. including postage, etc.	
(Sec. of Literature $25.00)	
(Sec. Y. P. Work $25.00)	100.00
Printing and Distribution Minutes	125.00
Young People's Conference	200.00
Colored Conference	100.00
Undesignated	25.00
Total	$1,250.00

Apportionment of Budget

Albemarle Presbyterial	5%	$ 62.50
Concord Presbyterial	9%	112.50
Fayetteville Presbyterial	14%	175.00
Granville Presbyterial	7%	87.50
Kings Mountain Presbyterial	6%	75.00
Mecklenburg Presbyterial	25%	312.50
Orange Presbyterial	14%	175.00
Wilmington Presbyterial	13%	162.50
Winston-Salem Presbyterial	7%	87.50
		$1,250.00

The following Recommendations are offered:

1. That a check be given the President at the beginning of the year, covering her estimated expenses for the year.

2. That great care should be exercised in the use of telegrams and long distance messages, and when these methods of communication are resorted to, except as a matter of necessity, the expense should be borne by the individual.

3. That when the Executive Committee considers the matter of sending representatives to special conferences, it should be with careful reference to the budget's apportionment for conference expenses.

4. That the books of Synodical be changed to conform to the church year, running from April to April, instead of from October to October, as heretofore.

5. That the outgoing and incoming Finance Committee act together each year in making out the budget.

Respectfully submitted,
(Signed)—Mrs. C. M. NORFLEET,
Mrs. J. B. SPILLMAN,
Committee.

Motion was made and duly carried to send Young People's Secretary to the Young People's Conference in Atlanta, December 29, 30, 31, 1925.

Mrs. S. C. Brawley, Chairman of Nominating Committee, made the following report which was accepted:

Group II

Recording Secretary—Mrs. G. V. Wynne, Durham (2nd term).
Treasurer—Mrs. J. E. Driscoll, Charlotte.
Historian—Mrs. J. M. McIver, Gulf.
Sec. Assm. Home Mis.—Mrs. J. L. Morehead, Durham.
Sec. Y. P. Work and S. S. Ext.—Miss Margaret McQueen, Rowland.
Sec. Orphanage—Mrs. W. T. Clark, Wilson (2nd term).
Sec. Christian Community Service—Mrs. Z. V. Turlington, Mooresville.

There were no other nominations.

Motion was made and duly carried that Secretary cast the ballot for the entire list, which was done after unanimouse ballot, giving her that authority.

Telegram was received extending greetings from Woman's Synodical Auxiliary of Alabama. I Cor. 1:5; 3:9.

Mrs. J. M. McIver was appointed to respond to this telegram.

President announced the following committees:

Ad Interim Nominating Committee: Mrs. J. R. Page, Chairman; Mrs. C. E. Neisler, Mrs. Edgar Yoder, Mrs. S. N. Harrell, Mrs. E. P. Wharton.

Inter-Racial Relations: Miss Margaret Rankin, Chairman; Miss Susan Hall, Mrs. Z. V. Turlington.

Organization: Mrs. S. C. Brawley, Chairman; Mrs. Chas. M. Norfleet, Mrs. A. J. Howell.

Finance: Mrs. J. B. Spillman, Chairman; Mrs. E. F. Reid, Mrs. J. E. Driscoll.

Young People's: Miss Mamie McElwee, Chairman; Mrs. H. M. McAllister, Miss Margaret McQueen.

Publicity: Mrs. G. V. Wynne, Chairman; Mrs. T. V. Moore.

Program: Mrs. E. F. Reid, Chairman; Mrs. J. L. Morehead.

Place of Meeting: Mrs. Edgar Yoder, Chairman; Mrs. Chas. Norfleet.

Auditing: Mrs. J. B. Spillman, Chairman; Mrs. J. R. Irwin, Charlotte.

Recommendations: Mrs. E. P. Wharton, Chairman; Mrs. S. N. Harrell, Mrs. J. R. Page.

Presbyterial Schedules: Mrs. A. J. Howell.

President announced letter from Mrs. McMillan, Auxiliary Treasurer, saying Birthday Offering has reached $36,000.00.

Mrs. Winsborough sent messages of love and stated she will visit in the N. C. Synodical this year.

Miss Charlotte Jackson, from Dr. Sweets' office is also giving three months to visiting in this State. At this time prayer was offered by Miss McElwee for Miss Jackson and the work she is doing.

Motion was made to send Synodical President to Church-Wide Convention in Chattanooga, December 1st-4th. Mrs. Reid, Vice-President, took the chair and called for the vote. It was unanimously carried.

Credentials Committee made final report of 51 delegates and 73 visitors present.

Report of Courtesy Committee accepted, and rising vote of thanks given all who helped make the Synodical meeting a success.

REPORT OF COURTESY COMMITTEE

Whereas: It has been the pleasure and privilege of the Woman's Auxiliary of the Synod of North Carolina, Presbyterian Church U. S., to hold its 13th annual meeting in the First Presbyterian Church of Greensboro. Therefore be it resolved:

1st—That we express our heartfelt thanks to Miss Laura Coit, representing Mrs. J. F. Simpson, President of the Auxiliary of the hostess church and Mrs. E. P. Wharton, representing Orange Presbyterial, for their cordial words of greeting; to the reception committee for their careful attention; to the hostesses for their gracious hospitality; and to the ladies of the church for the delightful luncheon served.

2nd—That we thank the choir for the beautiful music rendered, also pastor and members of the church who have assisted in making the Synodical a success.

3rd—That we express our pleasure in having the Kindergarten Class of Barium Springs Orphanage with us; and acknowledge with grateful appreciation the presentation of Grace Hospital, Banner Elk, by Miss Sue Hall; the addresses of Rev. E. E. Gillespie, D. D., Rev. W. M. Hunter and Rev. W. E. Hill, D.D., Chairman of Woman's Work of the Synod of N. C.; and the devotionals by Mrs. Edgar Yoder, Mrs. E. F. Reed, Rev. Chas. Myers, D. D., Rev. R. M. Williams, D. D., and Mr. Chas. Norfleet, representing the men of the church.

4th—That we have been stimulated to greater service in the Master's work by the inspiring addresses of our missionaries, Miss Emily Winn, Miss Douglass, Rev. Howard Taylor, D. D., Mrs. Howard Taylor, and Mrs. S. C. Farrior.

5th—That we express our thanks to Mrs. Chas. Myers, hostess to a charming Afternoon Tea, and to Mrs. L. Richardson for a lovely luncheon at the Country Club, social features of the meeting which were both enjoyed and appreciated by the delegates.

6th—That we express to our President, Mrs. Wilson, and her co-workers our appreciation of their faithful and untiring service.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. C. E. NEISLER,
Miss FANNIE GREY,
Mrs. W. P. M. CURRY,
Mrs. W. S. LACY,
Mrs. JOHN T. LOWE.

At this time telegram was received from Mrs. S. N. Harrell, President of Albemarle Presbyterial extending greetings.

Mrs. Wilson presented Mrs. O. G. Jones, who, in a very impressive way, conducted installation and consecration service.

A rising vote of appreciation was given Mrs. J. M. McIver for work done as Editor of Woman's Page in Presbyterian Standard for several years.

Final minutes were read and approved.

After prayer by Mrs. A. J. Howell, the meeting adjourned.

RUTH S. WYNNE,
Recording Secretary.

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Presbyterial	*President and Address*	*Secretary and Address*	*No. Churches*
Albemarle	Mrs. S. N. Harrell, Tarboro	Mrs. H. L. Hicks, Rocky Mount	27
Concord	Mrs. Z. V. Turlington, Mooresville	Miss Cornelia Shaw, Davidson	59
Fayetteville	Mrs. J. R. Page, Aberdeen	Mrs. J. O. McClelland, Maxton	97
Granville (New Presbyterial)	Mrs. S. C. Brawley, West Durham	Mrs. Goode Cheatham, Henderson	43
Kings Mountain	Mrs. S. A. Robinson, Gastonia	Miss Mary Ragan, Gastonia	39
Mecklenburg	Mrs. J. B. Spillman, Charlotte	Mrs. Jno. McDowell, Charlotte, R. 3	100
Orange	Mrs. E. P. Wharton, Greensboro	Mrs. Nick Mebane, Greensboro	43
Wilmington	Mrs. A. J. Howell, Wilmington	Mrs. Geo. W. Oldham, Kenansville	70
Winston-Salem (New Presbyterial)	Mrs. Chas. M. Norfleet, Winston-Salem	Mrs. M. P. Traynor, Winston-Salem	30
		TOTAL	508

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Presbyterial	*Secretary of Young People's Work*	*Address*	*Membership*			*M Cla*
			Male	*Female*	*Both*	*Home Missions*
Albemarle	Mrs. Wm. Rumley	Washington, N. C.	150	202	352	1
Concord	Mrs. Eugene Alexander	109 Ridge Ave., Salibury, N. C.			885	22
Fayetteville	Mrs. G. B. Rowland	Raeford, N. C.	646	1200	1846	42
Granville	Mrs. J. R. Porter	Henderson, N. C.				
Kings Mountain	Miss Helen Ragan	Gastonia, N. C.	232	399	631	3
Mecklenburg	Mrs. C. H. Little	R. 2, Charlotte, N. C.			2347	7
Orange	Mrs. C. G. Smith	Asheboro, N. C.			1004	
Wilmington	Mrs. J. C. Stewart	220 N. Second St., Wilmington, N. C.			615	15
Winston-Salem	Mrs. R. H. Stone	Box 11, Jefferson, N. C.	66	121	187	
TOTALS					7867	92

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Institutions	*No. of Students*	*No. of Resident Students*	*No. Church Members*	*Christian Organization*	*Membership*
Davidson College	619	600	619	Y. M. C. A.	619
Flora Macdonald College	300	251	249	Y. W. C. A.	230
Queens College	275	150	149	Y. W. C. A.	150
Mitchell College	143	44	43	Y. W. C. A.	41
Peace Institute	184	95	90	Y. W. C. A.	95
Elise High School	84	45	80	C. E.	58
Albemarle N. & I. Institute	72	68	68	C. E.	65
Glade Valley High School					
TOTALS	1677	1253	1298		1258

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